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OVER 200,000 HOLD ANTI-U.S. RALLY IN KABUL

LD310700 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0428 GMT 31 Dec 82

[Excerpts] Kabul, Dec. 30, BAKHTAR -- Hundreds of thousands of people throughout Afghanistan organised unprecedently huge marches and mammoth rallies to voice their support to the declaration of the Government of the DRA issued yesterday in condemnation of the recent provocative anti-Afghan utterances of Ronald Reagan.

The biggest rally was held in Kabul before the Embassy of the United States (which is the spying centre of the USA here). Over two hundred thousand marchers converged [word indistinct] after marching through the city streets chanting slogans against the adventurist war mongering policies of U.S. imperialism and Reagan administration.

The marchers included workers, peasants, members of trade unions, youth and women organisations, members of People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan and other working people from Kabul City.

Leading the marchers were Dr. Anahita Ratebzad, member of the Politburo of the PDPA CC, Mahmud Barialay and 'Abdoz Zohur Razmjo, alternate members of the Politburo of the PDPA CC, some Central Committee members and leaders of the National Fatherland Front and of other social organisations.

Addressing the protest meeting in front of U.S. Embassy, 'Abdoz Zohur Razmjo said that today's grand protest rally signifies the deep wrath and indignation of the people of Afghanistan over the shameless intervention of U.S. imperialism and Reagan's administration in the internal affairs of the DRA.

A leading clergyman, Mawlawi Hojat who leads the Islamic Affairs Department of the DRA and is one of the leaders of National Fatherland Front, in his speech on the occasion vehemently rebutted the ravings of Ronald Reagan about the imaginary danger to Islam in Afghanistan and said that there was complete religious freedom in Afghanistan. He challenged Mr Reagan's right to talk hypocritically of Islam and humanism especially when the black in the United States (many of whom are Muslims) are deprived of the most fundamental human rights.

These marches and meetings in the provinces were attended by tens of thousands of people belonging to different walks of life. The marchers in the capital and other cities carried with them thousands of posters and placards inscribed with revolutionary slogans also photos of Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA CC and president of the Revolutionary Council of the DRA. Some of the slogans chanted by the marchers were: "Down with U.S. imperialism", "Down with Reagan", "Down with CIA", "No to (?war) in the world", "Down with war mongering and adventurist forces", "Long live anti-imperialist solidarity of the peoples of the [word indistinct]."

Sarboland Speech

LD311614 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 30 Dec 82

['Abdolmajid Sarboland, member of the PDPA Central Committee, member of the DRA Revolutionary Council, and vice chairman of the Council of Ministers, speech at the meeting in front of the U.S. Embassy in Kabul at the end of the anti-U.S. march on 30 December -- recorded]

[Excerpts] Dear compatriots: Allow me to say a few words before reading to you the statement of the DRA Government at this grand meeting -- to say a few words about U.S. imperialism, its shameful face and treachery.

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BK041606 Hong Kong AFP in English 1558 GMT 4 Jan 83

[Text] Islamabad, Jan 4 (AFP) -- In massive bombing raids, Soviet warplanes have totally destroyed Nader Shah Kowt in eastern Paktia Province after a troop uprising in which Afghan soldiers killed 52 army officers, rebel sources said.

The soldiers last Thursday killed pro-communist officers and burnt the ammunition depot, then about 100 of them fled the outpost near the Pakistani border town of Miram Shah, the sources said. About a dozen of them already reached Miram Shah, they said. One Afghan soldier also died in the clash and another was wounded.

Soon after the incident, Soviet plans totally demolished Nader Shah Kowt, a village of 50 to 60 houses, in three consecutive days of bombing, they said. The military post there is 10 km from Khost, the main provincial town in Paktia. Most of the civilian population had fled the area after the Soviet invasion 3 years ago.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTRY COMMANDS HOLD MEETING

LD041520 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 3 Jan 83

[Text] Officers, men, and staff of the Transport Brigade Command and the [word indistinct] Command of the Department of Logistics of the Ministry of Internal Affairs today held a grand meeting at the headquarters of the department in Khayr Khana (Mena).

At the gathering, the head of political affairs in the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Mohammed Faruq, spoke about the shameless interferences of the United States and of the traitor Reagan. He also highlighted more than ever before the revolutionary and patriotic duties of PDPA members.

At the meeting, the membership cards of the full members of the PDPA and the primary party organizations of the above commands were distributed.

STUDENTS STAGE PROTEST AGAINST PAKISTAN

LD041040 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0430 GMT 4 Jan 83

[Text] Kabul, Jan 3, BAKHTAR -- A great demonstration was held by a big group of university students on Torkham border post on the other side of the border on December 28.

The demonstrators warmly welcomed the April Revolution and the principled policy of the party and state of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan and strongly condemned the militarist actions of Pakistan against the people and the state of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan.

They enthusiastically chanted slogans: "Victorious be the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan", "Long live Babrak Karmal", and "We would defend the April Revolution in the interest of the people of our brother country revolutionary Afghanistan." The students expressed their intense wrath and indignation against Ziaul Haq, the military ruler of Pakistan. The protesting students were subjected to threats by Pakistani soldiers.

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ANTI-U.S. RALLY HELD IN BADGHISAT PROVINCE

LD051626 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0457 GMT 5 Jan 83

[Text] Kabul, Jan 4, BAKHTAR -- In a big protest march staged in Qal'eh-ye Now, capital of Badghisat Province, and attended by thousands of workers, peasants, ulemas, elders, party members, and members of the public organisations, the marchers expressed their support to the declaration of the DRA Government and expressed their wrath and indignation over the recent empty utterances of Reagan about revolutionary Afghanistan.

Carrying the photos of Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the CC of the PDPA, and president of the Revolutionary Council of the DRA, and chanting revolutionary slogans, the marchers took out a procession through the streets of Qal'eh-ye Now and converged on the City Chawk [as received] where they held a big rally.

Addressing the protest rally, speaker after speaker strongly condemned the wicked acts and the brazen interference of imperialism above all U.S. imperialism in the internal affairs of the DRA.

Declaring their support to the party and the Government of the DRA they pledged to continue their relentless struggle against the bandits, these paid servants of imperialism until they are completely annihilated.

BAKHTAR COMMENTATOR ON REAGAN'S 'SABER RATTLING'

LD020850 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0423 GMT 2 Jan 83

[Text] Kabul, Jan 1, BAKHTAR -- A political commentator of BAKHTAR information agency writes:

The year 1982 gave place to the new year of 1983 at midnight yesterday. At the threshold of the new year the humanity as a whole tended to think what it will bring for it happiness or misery, how the course of events would develop in the world and above all whether more clouds of war will gather in the sky or new bright horizons of peace will open.

All mankind would wish to look at the new year with hopes for the better. Yes, all but Mr. Ronald Reagan, who sits at the apex of the world capitalist system. The U.S. President is doing all he can to impress on people of the world that at least his administration has no desire to give them any cause for making an optimistic forecast for the coming years.

In order to make the point clearer that it is the preparations for war, even a nuclear one, and not making an advance towards peace and detente, which suit the interests of military-industrial complex and big U.S. monopolies whom his administration faithfully serves, Mr. Reagan last week openly declared in a speech made on board the newly rebuilt giant US warship New Jersey (?that he) abhorred the policy of peace detente.

He urged a massive rearming of the USA in order that it may be able to freely pursue a gunboat diplomacy. Even before this speech of Mr. Reagan and his provocative declarations of December 27 about his administration's continued and increased support Afghan counterrevolutionaries for [word indistinct] (?the) undeclared war against Afghanistan, Reagan administration had handed out as a new year's gift another ominous threat to the states of our region by establishing the U.S. military command for Southwest Asia. The purpose of this command as is known is to intimidate and even militarily invade independent countries in a whole region in order to defend the so-called US "vital interests".

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GUERRILLA COMMANDER KILLED IN QONDUZ PROVINCE

OWO62102 Paris AFP in English 2037 GMT 6 Jan 83

[Text] Islamabad, Jan 6 (AFP) -- The Afghan resistance lost another guerrilla commander to Soviet troops in northern Qonduz Province last week and Muslim rebel leaders described the death as a "big setback" to their anticommunist movement in Afghanistan.

Mohammed Ibrahim died in cross-fire after leading his group to victory against Soviet troops in a clash on the Shermahi-Baghlad road on the Soviet-Afghan border on December 31, resistance sources said.

His guerrillas had killed 15 Soviet and Afghan troops in an ambush of a military convoy which (?was) "compelled to retreat", the sources said. However, retreating Soviet soldiers opened fire killing Ibrahim on the spot, the sources said.

Meanwhile Radio Kabul, monitored here, reported today that government forces had "put out of action" a group of anti-revolutionary elements in Qonduz. It said 34 persons were arrested and a large quantity of arms including a rocket launcher were recovered from "bandits who were disrupting the life" of people in Qonduz.

ZIRAY ATTENDS FARAH RALLY, CRITICIZES REAGAN

LD062100 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 6 Jan 83

[Text] Thousands of workers from Farah held a meeting and a rally today to reaffirm their support for the DRA Government statement. They vigorously denounced Ronald Reagan's recent statement on revolutionary Afghanistan.

The marchers, led by Saleh Mohammad Ziray, Politburo member and secretary of the PDPA Central Committee; 'Abdol Ghafar Lakanwal, minister of agriculture and land reform; and Honar Ghairat, candidate member of the PDPA Central Committee; and the head of the southwestern zone, walked through the streets of Farah chanting revolutionary slogans and carrying hundreds of placards, slogans, PDPA banners, posters, and national government flags. They then held a meeting in the Farah city square.

During the meeting Saleh Mohammad Ziray comprehensively explained the (?evil) plans of U.S. imperialism and its international henchmen against the party and our revolutionary government right from the start of the glorious April Revolution and particularly after its new development stage.

In exposing the faces of those who are subservient to the criminal U.S. imperialism, he vigorously condemned Ronald Reagan's recent statement on revolutionary Afghanistan.

At this meeting, a number of toilers of Farah Province, including ulema, clergy, and elders, also spoke about the DRA Government's recent statement and warned the criminal U.S. imperialism and traitor Reagan. They said that we, the working people of revolutionary Afghanistan, have now fully perceived their dirty nature with our skin and our flesh. We will fight with honest faith and iron determination for the victory of the national and democratic April Revolution, particularly its new development stage, and against the enemies of the revolution and those who are subservient to the blood-thirsty U.S. imperialism, and we will build up our beloved and proud homeland.

According to another report, Saleh Mohammad Ziray and his delegation this afternoon met with the officers and men of the 21st Mechanized Brigade. He commended their heroism and resistance to the counterrevolutionaries to safeguard the aspirations of the April Revolution.

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REBEL SPOKESMAN ON KIDNAPPED SOVIET ADVISERS

BK111520 Hong Kong AFP in English 1455 GMT 11 Jan 83

[By Michel Martin-Rolland]

[Excerpts] Islamabad, Jan. 11 (AFP) -- Resistance fighters kidnapped 14 to 16 Soviet civilian advisors -- possibly including two women -- in broad daylight last week in the market area of Mazar-e Sharif in northern Afghanistan, a Western diplomatic source disclosed here.

Meanwhile a spokesman for the Jami'at-e Eslami resistance movement, whose stronghold is the Mazar Province, announced that "a number of Soviet advisors" had been seized by guerrillas units. The spokesman, Dr. Azim Nasri, said the advisors "are still alive" and will probably be taken to Peshawar, Pakistan, unless they are placed in detention "in a secret location."

If the reports are accurate, it would be the first time since the Soviet intervention three years ago that so large a group of Soviet personnel had been kidnapped by the resistance. The daytime kidnapping of Soviet advisors in the center of the main city in northern Afghanistan, as reported today, would not be inconsistent with the renowned penchant for daring operations of the guerrilla leader believed responsible, Commander Zabih-Ullahi, according to sources close to the resistance movement in Peshawar.

Urban guerrilla operations have lately intensified in Mazar-e Sharif, one rebel informant said, forcing Afghan President Babrak Karmal to take extra security measures when he came to the city to hold a meeting of his party in the public garden September 15. Information provided by Western embassies in Kabul has revealed that the mujahadeen now control several areas around Mazar-e Sharif.

Soviet authorities have sent numerous engineers, technicians and civilian advisors to the city to develop the area's energy capacities and to exploit natural gas fields located there. A major chemical fertilizer plant has been built that is partially staffed by Soviets.

Western diplomats have also cited reports from Herat in western Afghanistan that speak of a crash in mid-December of an airliner operated by the Afghan Bahktar Airline. The diplomats believe it is possible the plane was shot down by resistance forces. They provided no information on casualties but suggested that some of the passengers survived the crash.

For the past several weeks, they said, Herat has been totally deprived of electricity and almost virtually without running water.

In the capital, Kabul, finally, electricity remains drastically reduced with certain quarters of the inner city without power for all but one hour a day. An electrical company official appeared last week on television to confirm that the city's high tension lines had been damaged by the resistance.

DEFECTOR DESCRIBES ARMY SHORTAGES, RIVALRIES

BK111213 Hong Kong AFP in English 1054 GMT 11 Jan 83

[Text] Peshawar, Pakistan, Jan. 11 (AFP) -- The Afghan Army never has more than a week's supply of food at its disposal and wounded Afghan soldiers die from loss of blood on the battlefield as Soviet injured are evacuated first, a senior Afghan military officer who defected a week ago said here.

Brigadier-General Mohammad Nawaz, 40, a supply officer, said military hospitals in Kabul were so short of drugs that Afghan soldiers had to ask their families to procure medicines on the black market.

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PRIME MINISTER MEETS WITH IRAQI OIL MINISTER

BK121632 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 12 Jan 83

[Text] Visiting Oil Minister of Iraq Qasim Taqi called on Prime Minister Mrs Gandhi in New Delhi today and conveyed to her President Saddam Husayn's message that Iraq looks up to India to provide leadership to the Nonaligned Movement. Taqi said Iraq is glad that the seventh nonaligned summit is being held in New Delhi. He also apprised Mrs Gandhi of the latest situation along the Iran-Iraq borders. Both Mrs Gandhi and Taqi expressed satisfaction over the development of constructive cooperation between the two countries.

Earlier, Taqi led his country's delegation at the eighth session of the Indo-Iraq joint commission held in the capital this morning. He told Energy Minister Shiv Shankar, who led the Indian delegation, that a fair and just solution will soon be found regarding financial claims of the Indian construction companies operating in Iraq. About 60 Indian companies are involved in the execution of about 90 projects in that country.

Earlier, the Iraqi minister called on President Giani Zail Singh.

GANDHI COMMENTS ON RELATIONS WITH PAKISTAN

BK130957 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0830 GMT 13 Jan 83

[Text] The prime minister has said India is doing its best to promote friendly relations with Pakistan. Mrs Gandhi described Pakistan's acceptance of India's proposal for the establishment of a joint commission as a positive step. She pointed out that there has been a modest improvement in the bilateral relations during the last few months. The prime minister made these observations in reply to a letter from Pakistan's roaming ambassador, A.K. Brohi. Brohi was in Delhi last month in connection with the international Koran congress.

OFFICIAL SET TO VISIT PAKISTAN, IRAN, DRA

BK121617 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 12 Jan 83

[Text] Natwar Singh, secretary in the External Affairs Ministry, will be leaving for Islamabad on Monday to hold talks with Pakistani officials on bilateral issues. The subjects for discussion include the constitution of subcommissions to assist the Indo-Pak joint commission. He will also visit Karachi before returning home. This was disclosed by an official spokesman in New Delhi today.

Natwar Singh, who is also the secretary general designate of the seventh nonaligned summit to be held in March in New Delhi, will be visiting Iran and Afghanistan in the last week of this month for consultations on the draft for the summit.

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ENVOY TO YUGOSLAVIA -- J. Hiremath, additional secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs, is to be India's next ambassador to Yugoslavia. He will take over shortly. [Text] [Delhi General Overseas Service in English 1330 GMT 7 Jan 83 BK]

SOVIET PEACE DELEGATION -- A six-member Soviet Peace Committee delegation arrived in New Delhi on 10 January on a 10-day visit. The delegation is led by the prominent actress Alida-Viya Artmane who is the deputy chairman of the Soviet Peace Committee. This is her first visit to India. [Text] [Delhi Domestic Service in English 0830 GMT 10 Jan 83 BK]

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ICRC ACCEPTS PRISONER; KIDNAPPED ADVISER SHOT

OW132354 Hong Kong AFP in English 2322 GMT 13 Jan 83

[By Michel Martin-Roland]

[Text] Peshawar, Pakistan, Jan. 13 (AFP) -- A young Soviet Army sergeant captured by the Afghanistan resistance was handed over here today to delegates of the International Committee on the Red Cross (ICRC) and put on a plane for Geneva.

Sgt. Yuriy Ivanovich, a 19-year old radio engineer, is the eighth Soviet soldier to be handed over by the Afghan resistance in 3 years of Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

Under a Soviet-Pakistani-ICRC agreement, Sgt. Ivanovich will be held for 2 years in Switzerland before being transferred to the Soviet authorities. In Switzerland, ICRC sources here said, he will be held in a mountain farm with his seven other comrades.

He is said to have been captured near Kabul in the middle of last month and to have arrived here last weekend after a nearly 3-week march.

A spokesman of the "Afghanistan Islamic National Front" (AINF) told reporters Sgt. Ivanovich was being handed over to the ICRC "to show that we treat Soviet soldiers as prisoners of war and that we are not bandits."

Meanwhile, an Afghan fruit wholesaler who arrived in Peshawar from Kabul supplied further details about last week's kidnapping in Mazar-e Sharif, northern Afghanistan, of 15 or 16 Soviet advisers, reported here by a Western diplomatic source.

The merchant said two of those seized were women. The kidnapping occurred as the advisers were driving in a minibus in the city center on the afternoon of January 3. They were taken to the countryside, where one of the advisers, a man, was shot dead a few hours later when he tried to run off.

'COUNTERREVOLUTIONARIES CRUSHED' IN PROVINCES

LD130042 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 12 Jan 83

[Text] Security forces in the (Parchawa) area in industrial Baghran recently crushed a number of counterrevolutionaries who were disrupting the life of the working people of that area; they seized from them various weapons and a quantity of ammunition.

According to another report from Herat Province, another group of these elements, which was robbing travelers along the Herat-Islam Qal'eh highway, was crushed by the border guards who captured four of them along with their weapons.

BORDER TRIBES TO PREVENT REBELS FROM CROSSING

LD140644 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1530 GMT 13 Jan 83

[Text] The wave of indignation and repulsion against Afghan counterrevolution is rising daily across the border.

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'FURTHER VIOLENT INCIDENTS' REPORTED IN KABUL

TA161533 BBC World Service in English 1500 GMT 16 Jan 83

[Text] A reliable source in the Afghan capital, Kabul, has passed on word of further violent incidents in the city. It is reported that two tanks have been blown up and that a leading member of the government sponsored National Fatherland Front has been killed and last week soldiers from rival factions began fighting among themselves inside an Army barracks in Kabul. Marc Fully reports:

[Begin recording] The source, which has proved consistently reliable, said that last Sunday night the sound of gunfire was heard from (Darrul Amman) (?Fort) in Kabul, the capital's second largest barracks. The next day the barracks was surrounded by Soviet troops. The Soviet Embassy was also surrounded and the road leading to the barracks was sealed off for 3 days. It was at first believed that guerrillas fighting the Soviet-backed regime of President Babrak Karmal had attacked the (?fort). However, the source later learned that fighting had broken out between Afghan soldiers belonging to the Parcham faction of the ruling party and soldiers belonging to the rival Khalq faction. The president is a member of the Parcham faction but the Khalq faction is dominant in the Army.

The source also reports that the rivalry between the two factions of the ruling party has intensified since the return of President Karmal from Moscow. On his return, the president isolated those members of the Khalq faction who still retained [word indistinct] in the administration. The president's tough action together with signs from Moscow that the new Soviet leadership has endorsed the Afghan president led to resurgence of underground activities by members of the Khalq faction. [end recording]

GUERRILLAS SHELL SOVIET-BUILT HOUSING COMPLEX

LD162246 Riyadh SPA in English 1941 GMT 16 Jan 83

[Text] Islamabad, Jan 16, SPA -- Eight Soviet advisers were killed and ten wounded in a bold mujahideen mortar attack on Soviet-built Mikro-Reyan [as received] housing complex in Kabul last week, Afghan Islamic Press (AIP) agency reported today.

The agency said bloc numbers one, seventeen and eighteen in the complex where Russian advisers, government ministers and communist bigwigs reside, were partially damaged. It added that the mujahideen fired 20 rounds of mortar fire at the complex.

CENTERS DISTRIBUTE SOVIET-DONATED FUEL 16 JAN

LD161850 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 16 Jan 83

[Excerpt] Upon realizing the pressing need of Kabul citizens for fuel, today a sufficient amount of diesel and kerosene fuel, which had been donated to Kabul citizens by the limited military contingents of the Soviet Union, was distributed to those people in need.

BAKHTAR correspondents report from the fuel distribution centers that thousands of our citizens are queuing in fuel distribution centers to receive the amount of fuel they need.

At the beginning of fuel distribution, some officials of the party wards and officers of the limited contingents of the friendly forces in Kabul spoke briefly on Afghan-Soviet friendship and the grant-in-aid and disinterested aid of the Soviet Union, saying that international imperialism headed by U.S. imperialism has created problems for the Afghan people by the continuation of the undeclared war.

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U.S. CENTRAL COMMAND TERMED 'INTERFERENCE'

LD171850 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 17 Jan 83

[Text] A spokesman for the DRA Foreign Affairs Ministry, in reply to a question by a BAKHTAR correspondent in connection with the formation of a U.S. central command for the Southwest Asia region, said:

The formation of a U.S. central command for Southwest Asia, set up on 1 January this year, is another aggressive adventurous step taken by U.S. criminal imperialism, which, relying on its military forces, is increasing interference in the domestic affairs of other countries, speeding up the arms race, and implementing its political, military, neocolonialist, and plundering plans.

The sphere of activity of this command, which is thousands of kilometers from the United States, includes 19 sovereign and independent countries, including the DRA, and also the Indian Ocean [words indistinct] the Gulf region and the Red Sea.

This command, which has been formed to replace the U.S. Rapid Deployment Force, will comprise more than 200,000 men in land, air, and sea strike forces. These forces will make use of U.S. military bases in Egypt, (?Oman), Kenya, and (?Sudan). Diego Garcia also will be utilized extensively and, according to some information, a number of military divisions of the command [words indistinct] and in the future, even in the vicinity of Afghanistan.

The fundamental tasks of this command will consist of planning military operations, carrying out military exercises, utilizing forces under its command to interfere in the domestic affairs of the countries in the region, and (?destabilizing) regimes (?and replacing them) with a puppet regime in this region which is of vital strategic importance to imperialist aggressive designs. In this way, the [words indistinct] of the world-devouring U.S. imperialism, as boss of international imperialism and according to its war-mongering, aggressive, and plundering nature, has declared an extensive area of the globe as a region of its vital interests; it has decided to strengthen its military (?muscle) and impose it (?on the life of the people of the region).

U.S. imperialism, which has undertaken the task of international gendarme to protect the interests of the (?military complex) and [word indistinct] of the capitalist world [words indistinct]. In addition, the United States [passage indistinct] and of the countries in the region to continue, and do not let the countries of the region make use of their natural resources to develop their national economies and [word indistinct].

The Washington bosses, headed by Reagan, these slaves of the capitalist world, are trying, by utilizing the forces under their command, to threaten the people of the region [words indistinct] and sovereign states, thus imposing their will upon them.

[Words indistinct] intends to trample under foot the just rights of the people and the countries of the region for freedom, national independence, national sovereignty, self-determination and social progress. [Passage indistinct] its international essence toward increasing the arms race, creating international conflicts, avoiding nuclear and strategic arms disarmament, disrupting the process of detente, and forming regions of (?tension) throughout the world to the detriment of peace, peaceful coexistence, and mutually beneficial cooperation among states.

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SOLDIERS MUTINY IN KHOWST, KILL ADVISERS

OW181918 Hong Kong AFP in English 1853 GMT 18 Jan 83

[By Michel Martin-Roland]

[Text] Islambabad, Jan. 18 (AFP) -- Several hundred Afghan soldiers posted in Khowst, in the eastern province of Paktia, deserted after killing officers and Soviet advisers who tried to put down their mutiny, a Western diplomatic source said here today.

An Afghan resistance chief from the same province, contacted by telephone from here, said Soviet warplanes had bombed resistance positions Sunday and today in the mountains surrounding Khowst, but he denied there had been a rebellion at the Khowst Garrison.

According to diplomatic sources here, several dozen Soviet helicopters took off from Kabul and Bagram air base north of Kabul, headed for Khowst apparently with orders to stop deserters from joining rebel forces in the mountains surrounding the vast Khowst plain.

If confirmed, the mutiny would be one of the most serious to affect Afghan Government troops since the Soviet invasion three years ago.

On January 1, Afghan deserters arriving in Miran Shah, a town near the Pakistan border some 50 kms (30 miles) from Khowst, said about 100 soldiers stationed at Nader Shah Kowt, near Khowst, had mutinied, killing 30 of their officers and burning down the garrison's arms depot. Khowst Garrison houses the 25th Afghan Infantry Division, estimated at 1,000 men. About 100 Soviet advisers, both civilian and military, along with their families are also stationed there.

Moslem rebel forces in recent months have subjected the dozens of advance posts protecting Khowst to constant harassment. The garrison is now entirely supplied by air since guerrillas cut off the highway leading to the province capital of Gardez, a source close to the resistance said.

Rebel sources say that Khowst Garrison commander was recently recalled to Kabul and replaced by an officer from the Parsham faction of the Afghan communist party, the faction to which President Babrak Karmal belongs.

Meanwhile, Western diplomatic sources reported that Kabul was low in fuel following a series of successful rebel attacks against power installations and convoys from the Soviet Union. Many areas of the city were said to be without electricity since rebels struck major pylons and transformers last month. Fuel for transportation and heating has been rationed, diplomatic sources said, and the two main pipelines supplying Afghanistan from the Soviet Union have not functioned since last December following repeated rebel sabotage. They said the fleet of 280 Czechoslovak-built gas trucks which had been supplying Kabul with most of its fuel needs was immobilized because drivers refused to take the wheel, fearing rebel ambushes. More than 50 of the trucks were said to be derelict and that eight had been destroyed or captured by guerrillas.

The diplomats also confirmed earlier reports that the Soviet advisers kidnapped in Mazar-e Sharif were civilian employees in the local baking factory. They also confirmed that one Soviet had been killed as he attempted to escape.

According to one source, the two women seized with the Soviets were Afghan prostitutes.

Two separate resistance groups have claimed responsibility for the kidnap.

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BK191600 Hong Kong AFP in English 1554 GMT 19 Jan 83

[Text] Islamabad, Jan. 19 (AFP) -- Afghan resistance forces killed about 50 Soviet soldiers and damaged 13 helicopters in a raid on Jalalabad Airport, in the east of the country, on Saturday night, it was reported here today.

The pro-resistance Afghan Islamic press agency said that 100 rebels grouped in five units shelled the airport for six hours with 83-mm mortars and rocket launchers. The agency said five tanker trucks, a radar unit and a hangar were also destroyed in the raid.

Travellers from Jalalabad had already reported a first raid on the town's airport on the night of December 21. The reports said that airport employees had helped the rebels enter the restricted area. Varying accounts reported between three to ten helicopters out of action.

Jalalabad is one of 12 Afghan airports where Western military analysts believe the Soviets keep permanent squadrons of armoured MI-24 and MI-25 helicopter gunships.

Two resistance leaders operating in the Jalalabad region said while on a recent trip to Peshawar, just across the border in Pakistan, that they were concentrating efforts on Soviet strategic and economic targets such as airports, convoys or arms dumps, rather than "wasting men, time and material" to harass Soviet positions around the provinces.

'SOVIET SOURCES' CONFIRM KIDNAPPING OF ADVISERS

BK191606 Hong Kong AFP in English 1600 GMT 19 Jan 83

[Text] Islamabad, Jan. 19 (AFP) -- Soviet sources confirmed here today that some 15 Russians were kidnapped earlier this month by Afghani resistance fighters at Mazar-e Sharif in northern Afghanistan.

A source close to the Soviet Embassy in Pakistan said those abducted were working as technicians in a flour mill south of the town.

Observers said it was the largest group of Soviets captured by the rebels since the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan more than three years ago.

Two resistance groups have separately claimed responsibility for the kidnapping, first reported by Western diplomatic sources here last week. No word has been given on what has happened to the Soviets.

SOVIET AGRICULTURE MINISTER, DELEGATION ARRIVE

LD192025 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 19 Jan 83

[Text] Valentin Karpovich Mesyats, CPSU Central Committee member and USSR agriculture minister, today arrived in Kabul at the head of a delegation at the invitation of the Afghan-Soviet Friendship Society for an official and friendly visit.

Abdol Majid Serboland, vice chairman of the DRA Council of Ministers, members of the DRA Peace, Solidarity, and Friendship Organization, representatives of the Foreign Affairs Ministry Protocol Department, and the USSR ambassador in Kabul were present at Kabul Airport to welcome the delegation.

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BK180335 Dhaka Domestic Service in English 0145 GMT 18 Jan 83

[Text] The Bangladesh-India joint committee of water experts concluded its 3-day meeting in Dhaka yesterday.

A joint press release issued at the end of the meeting in Dhaka said that the committee had detailed discussions and fixed modalities of pre-feasibility studies of the two sides' projects for augmenting dry season Ganges flows.

The Bangladesh projects seek cooperation among Bangladesh, India, and Nepal for construction of storage dams in Nepal for harnessing the Ganges water for augmentation of its dry season flows. On the other hand, the Indian projects propose to dig a canal across Bangladesh to divert the Brahmaputra water to the Ganges, augmenting the Ganges flow.

The two sides agreed to meet again at a mutually convenient date to continue the discussions for submitting its recommendations within demanded period of 4 to 6 weeks.

The committee sources said it will hold the next meeting to complete the task before or around the time the ministerial-level meeting is scheduled to meet in Dhaka on the 1st of next month to give its recommendations to the Joint Rivers Commission [JRC].

The committee was set up at the meeting of the JRC held last month in New Delhi with the task of giving the recommendations within 4 to 6 weeks. The JRC was given the responsibility of preparing the terms of reference and the work schedule for the pre-feasibility studies by the memorandum of understanding signed between the two countries during the talks of Chief Martial Law Administration Lieutenant General N.M. Ershad and Indian Prime Minister Mrs Indira Gandhi in October last in New Delhi.

BRIEFS

AMBASSADOR TO SRV -- The Bangladesh ambassador to Burma, Keramat Ali, has been concurrently accredited as ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. [Text]
[Dhaka Domestic Service in English 0145 GMT 16 Jan 83 BK]

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Farah Province Clashes

BK231014 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 0200 GMT 23 Jan 83

[Text] Reports from Afghanistan say that the Afghan mujahidin have killed many Soviet and Karmal forces in two clashes in Farah Province. They also destroyed a tank and seized a large number of weapons. The Afghan mujahidin launched three attacks on Soviet-Karmal troops on Thursday on Islam Kala Road in Herat Province, killing 16 Soviet-Karmal troops and wounding many others. They also damaged one helicopter and several armored vehicles. The reports add that after these attacks, Soviet helicopters and heavy artillery massively attacked the civilian population in these areas, killing and wounding many civilians.

Herat Province Attack

BK231638 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 1500 GMT 23 Jan 83

[Text] In Afghanistan the mujahidin attacked the [word indistinct] military camp of the Karmal administration in the Ghoryan Subdivision of Herat Province near the Iranian border, according to reports. The reports said the mujahidin damaged a tank in an attack with rocket launchers on 8 January, killing the men in the tank. Many Karmal administration forces were also killed during the clash. The mujahidin seized a large quantity of arms and ammunition from the Karmal military (?fortifications) nearby.

The reports also said that the mujahidin have established their administration in the Tolak Subdivision of Ghowr Province. This subdivision was liberated by the mujahidin last month and on that occasion 250 soldiers of the Karmal administration joined the mujahidin along with their arms. These soldiers, now under the command of the Afghan mujahidin, are fighting the Soviet-Karmal administration forces.

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SOVIET AID -- A contract for the free delivery of materials, tools, and equipment for the expansion of the Department of Meteorology of the Ministry of Transport was concluded today between the Department of Meteorology and the Tekhnoeksport Institute of the Soviet Union. The contract was signed by the head of the Department of Meteorology of the Ministry of Transport and the representative of the Tekhnoeksport Institute. Under the contract, the materials and tools necessary for the construction of 35 meteorology units will be provided free of charge by the Soviet Tekhnoeksport Institute to the Department of Meteorology. [Text] [Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 20 Jan 83 LD]

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KABUL OIL SUPPLIES 'ADEQUATE;' HOARDERS ARRESTED

LD211958 Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto 1600 GMT 21 Jan 83

[Text] A spokesman for the Department of Sugar and Oil Products today told BAKHTAR that adequate oil supplies have arrived in Kabul and citizens' needs are being met.

The spokesman added that 500,000 liters of oil were distributed today in the seven areas of the city by stationary and mobile tankers; thereafter, oil distribution will continue normally.

The Department of Sugar and Oil Products said serious efforts are being made by party and security officials to arrest oil hoarders who further disrupt distribution. A large quantity of oil which had been stored by hoarders was discovered today with documents and evidence; the hoarders were handed over to the legal authorities. A number of storekeepers who were treacherously selling oil at inflated prices also were arrested by party officials and city security forces.

According to another report, more than 16,000 liters of gasoline, kerosene, and diesel oil which had been illegally hoarded by Zaraf 'Ali, son of Joma Hasan, at Sara-e Malek were discovered today by the security forces; the hoarders were arrested. A spokesman for the security forces told a BAKHTAR correspondent that the 31 barrels of hoarded oil were confiscated and the hoarders are under investigation.

Further Report

LD230955 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 22 Jan 83

[Excerpt] A spokesman of the Department of Sugar and Oil Products today told BAKHTAR that with the arrival of a sufficient quantity of petroleum products to Kabul the previous difficulties in this respect have been removed and the esteemed citizens can obtain the oil they require from stationary and mobile tankers.

The source added that the procedure for the distribution of oil products became normal as of yesterday; only today approximately 550,000 liters of petroleum products, including gasoline, diesel fuel, and kerosene, have been distributed to the citizens.

According to another report, more than 18,000 liters of diesel fuel illegally stored in a market in Kolola-Poshta [Kabul City] were discovered this morning by the personnel of the security forces.

A security force spokesman told the BAKHTAR correspondent that the above amount of oil -- hoarded by (Yaqob), son of (Merza Husayn), and (Akhtar Mohamad), son of (Nader), residing in Char-Qala-e Wazerabad; (Ali Mohammad), son of (Mohammad O'mar), residing in Panjsher; [name indistinct], son of (Merza Ali), residing in Vardak Province -- have been handed over to the Department of Sugar and Oil Products and the case is under investigation.

Likewise, more than 1,000 liters of kerosene and gasoline, stored illegally by a number of hoarders, have been discovered in two markets in Kolola-Poshta and Shahrara by the personnel of security ward 4 in Kabul City.

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DOST COMMENTS ON CORDOVEZ' MEDIATION EFFORTS

LD252328 Budapest Domestic Service in Hungarian 1730 GMT 25 Jan 83

[Excerpts] Diego Cordovez, the UN secretary general's special envoy, is having talks in Pakistan. The subject of his talks is the peaceful settlement of the questions in dispute concerning Afghanistan. The diplomat is to visit Kabul in the near future. What does the Afghan Government expect from Cordovez' mediating mission? Shah Mohammad Dost, minister of foreign affairs, granted an interview on this in Kabul last week to our correspondent Miklos Keleti.

[Begin recording -- Dost in English fading into superimposed Hungarian translation] We hope that as a result of this mission direct talks may take place with Iran and, above all, with Pakistan. This would represent a considerable step forward, after all, without the presence of a mediator. We would be able to sit at the same negotiating table and carry on more substantive talks.

[Keleti] If the representatives of Pakistan and Iran are prepared to sit at the same table with the representative of the current Afghan Government, this would amount to recognition of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan, that is to say, something that at the present time both Iran and Pakistan refuse to do. First and foremost, because recognition of the Kabul government would also entail acceptance of the fact that the presence of Soviet troops in Afghanistan is a matter exclusively for the Afghan and Soviet Governments. Thus, the demand for the unconditional withdrawal of forces would become untenable.

[Dost] We do not consider formal diplomatic recognition to be of primary importance. Of course, it is another question that our neighbors will, sooner or later, have to recognize the Afghan Government. The main problem at present is the fact that an unnatural tension prevails over the region and this state of affairs will have to be brought to an end as soon as possible. The armed men trained in Pakistani camps endanger Afghanistan's internal calm, it certainly exists in practice -- is also dangerous for Pakistan because the region of the country that borders on Afghanistan is slipping more and more out of the control of the Islamabad government.

[Keleti] Do you, therefore, consider that Pakistan, too, has an interest in a negotiated settlement of the problems?

[Dost] General Ziaul Haq said both after his visits to Moscow and to Washington that he is a supporter of a peaceful settlement by negotiation. However, I would like to call attention to the fact that substantial American and Saudi Arabian pressure is being exerted on Pakistan. At present, Washington and Riyadh are interested in preserving the Afghan problem as a source of tension that can be exploited. However, if in spite of all this, Pakistan is ready for some kind of compromise, this will have to be brought to light unequivocally in the course of Mr Cordovez' mediating mission. [end recording]

TROOPS SURROUND CITY, SEARCH FOR SOVIET ADVISERS

BK251510 Hong Kong AFP in English 1450 GMT 25 Jan 83

[By Michel Martin-Roland]

[Text] Islamabad, Jan. 25 (AFP) -- Soviet and Afghan troops have surrounded the northern Afghan city of Mazar-e Sharif where the situation remains tense after some 15 Soviet civilian advisors were captured there by rebels earlier this month, Western diplomats disclosed here today.

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'MESSENGER' REPORTS ON KIDNAPPED SOVIET ADVISERS

BK261211 Hong Kong AFP in English 1153 GMT 26 Jan 83

[Text] Islamabad, Jan. 26 (AFP) -- One of sixteen Russians being held by Afghan rebels in a mountainous region southeast of Mazar-e Sharif pledged that the group would kill President Babrak Karmal if released, according to a rebel messenger from the region.

The messenger, from a fundamentalist faction of the Harakat-e Enqelabi Eslami Party, said yesterday that all 16 captives, including three women, were safe when he was last in the region two weeks ago.

But one Russian who was wounded when the rebels captured the group January 5 in Mazar-e Sharif was shot to death because he could not walk fast enough, he said.

The messenger's claim that the Harakat-e Enqelabe Eslami Party was responsible for the capture was disputed today by a spokesman for the Jami'at Eslami Party, who said members of that party abducted the Soviets.

He said the party leader, Burhanuddin Rabbani, had ordered that all captives be kept safe and moved progressively toward Pakistan. He did not say whether the group might give up the captives to the International Red Cross, as has been done with eight Soviet soldiers now in Switzerland.

The Harakat-e Enqelabe Eslami messenger said the group had originally wanted to ambush a Soviet armored vehicle in Mazar-e Sharif, which is only 50 kms (30 miles) south of the Soviet border.

But the van came first, and after a short gun battle the rebels took its occupants hostage. The Russian victim was wounded during the exchange of gunfire, and fatally shot as the group sought to walk to a mountain hideout four hours away from Mazar-e Sharif.

After the group arrived at a hiding place, one of the remaining 16 hostages, who spoke some Dari (a form of Persian), said: "If you kill us, it is not important. But if you release us, we will shoot down Babrak Karmal."

The day after the hostage-taking, the messenger said, authorities in Mazar-e Sharif forced all residents out of their homes for a general search. The day after that, General Yasin Sadeqi, a political official in the Afghan Army, arrived to issue an appeal among residents for cooperation.

Then three days after the abduction, a search team went to meet with the leader of the Harakat-e Enqelabe Eslami, Qari Nehman, the messenger said. They returned empty-handed.

The next day hundreds of Afghan soldiers launched a military operation, and surrounded the Harakat-e Enqelabe Eslami headquarters at Char Kent, southeast of Mazar-e Sharif. The attack failed because of a snowstorm, the messenger said.

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FOREIGN MINISTER MEETS WITH UN REPRESENTATIVE

LD271921 Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto 1530 GMT 27 Jan 83

[Text] Foreign Affairs Minister Shah Mohammad Dost met Diego Cordovez, representative of the UN secretary general, at the Foreign Ministry.

The first phase of the meeting was attended by the deputy ministers of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sarwar Yuresh and (Sakhi Daneshjo). Topics of mutual interest were discussed in a friendly atmosphere.

According to an understanding reached in Geneva, Diego Cordovez arrived in Kabul at the head of a delegation which will try to prepare grounds for talks between the DRA and other interested countries.

He was welcomed at Kabul Airport by (Sakhi Daneshjo), the deputy minister of foreign affairs; a number of high-ranking officials; and the UN representative in Afghanistan, (Shultz Miller).

BBC: SOVIETS DESTROY CROPS IN PARVAN, LOWGAR

TA271548 London BBC World Service in English 1500 GMT 27 Jan 83

[Reported by correspondent (Sattish Jacob) from Delhi -- recorded]

[Text] A source in Kabul which has proved to be extremely reliable in the past has stated that over the past 6 months, nearly 2/3 of the houses in the Panjshir Valley and 1/2 the houses in Pahgman have been destroyed in Soviet bombing attacks. Soviet Migs and helicopter gunships have also caused havoc in the Province of Parvan north of Kabul. The source said the Soviets had flattened every building and cluster of trees that could be used as shelter on the main road linking Kabul with these two provinces. They have also heavily bombarded villages and fields, forcing villagers to flee the area. Parvan and Lowgar are strongholds of the rebels, who use them as bases for attacks in other provinces.

Previously, Soviet and Afghan forces tried to destroy the rebel groups themselves. Now they are trying to destroy their sources of food and support in Parvan and Lowgar Provinces. Their previous campaigns failed as rebels were always able to take refuge in the densely populated villages there. Kabul has paid the price for the change of Soviet policy as the same fields which supplied the rebels gave Kabul its main source of food grain. The destruction of the crops in the two provinces has resulted in unprecedented shortages and high prices.

GUERRILLAS DESTROY 'COMMUNIST VICTORY' TANK

BK280313 Hong Kong AFP in English 0117 GMT 28 Jan 83

[Text] Islamabad, Jan. 27 (AFP) -- Afghan guerrillas have destroyed a memorial tank kept outside the People's Palace in Kabul, resistance sources said here today.

The tank, which spearheaded an attack against the country's republican regime on April 27, 1978, in which moderate President Sardar Daoud's family was killed, had been kept by the Soviet-backed regime as "symbol of the communist victory," the rebel sources said.

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LEADERS CONFER WITH UN REPRESENTATIVE CORDOVEZ

Foreign Minister Dost

LD281535 Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto 1430 GMT 28 Jan 83

[Text] Foreign Minister Shah Mohammad Dost met twice, this morning and this afternoon, with Diego Cordovez, representative of the UN secretary general. Topics of mutual interest were discussed in these meetings. Deputy Foreign Ministers Sarwar Yuresh and Sakhi Daneshjo also attended the meetings.

According to another report, the representative of the UN secretary general and his accompanying delegation attended a luncheon given today in his honor by Sarwar Yuresh at the Intercontinental Hotel.

Karmal, Keshtmand

LD291526 Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto 1430 GMT 29 Jan 83

[Text] Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA Central Committee and chairman of the DRA Revolutionary Council, this morning received Diego Cordovez, representative of the UN secretary general, for a courtesy visit at the Revolutionary Council headquarters. The two sides discussed topics of mutual interest. Foreign Affairs Minister Shah Mohammad Dost also was present at the meeting.

Soltan Ali Keshtmand, member of the PDPA Central Committee Politburo and chairman of the DRA Council of Ministers, also received Diego Cordovez this morning. At this meeting, Sarwar Yuresh, deputy minister of foreign affairs, was also present.

According to another report, Foreign Minister Shah Mohammad Dost continued his discussion with the representative of the UN secretary general this afternoon.

According to another report, Mrs Cordovez this morning visited the watan kindergarten and met with Mahboba Karmal, head of the kindergarten. Mrs Cordovez also visited the women's central [word indistinct] and met with officials who explained the organization of the [word indistinct] to her.

According to BAKHTAR, Shah Mohammad Dost this evening gave a dinner in honor of Diego Cordovez and his delegation in the banquet hall of the Foreign Affairs Ministry. The dinner was attended by deputy ministers of the Foreign Affairs Ministry, several high-ranking officials and their wives, the head of the UN development program [name indistinct] and his wife, and representatives of UNICEF in Kabul. During the dinner, a concert was performed by artists from Kabul radio.

SOVIET TROOPS REPORTEDLY CAPTURE FRENCH DOCTOR

BK301453 Hong Kong AFP in English 1435 GMT 30 Jan 83

[Text] Islamabad, Jan 30 (AFP) -- A French doctor captured last week by Soviet troops in a village south of Kabul has been identified as Philippe Augoyard, who was working for a French humanitarian medical aid organization, an Afghan resistance spokesman said here.

Citing a resistant present [as received] in the village of Saijawan in the Lowgar Province when the raid occurred, the spokesman said the Frenchman -- described by observers as the first foreign doctor captured in Afghanistan during the last 3 years -- was seized along with several mujahidin resistance fighters who were immediately shot.